

BURLINGTON FREE PRESS, FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 30, 1854.

Religious Intelligence.

The Congregational Convention of Vermont held its annual session at St. Albans commencing on Tuesday last and continuing through Thursday. The attendance was unusually full. Delegates were present from the Presbyterian General Assembly, both Old School and New School, from the Congregational church of Canada, from the Congregational Convention of Maine, &c., &c.

The question of Slavery had a place in the discussions. A series of resolutions asserting the rights of Ministers of the gospel, denouncing the Nebraska bill, and thanking Messrs. Seward, Meacham, Sumner, and others, for their defense of the N. E. clergy, in Congress, were offered and a warm discussion followed. The resolutions were opposed by Prof. Torrey, Rev. Messrs. Wickham, Lord, Doughty, Banks of Ark., and others, who were disposed to avoid a mingling of religion and politics, believed that the rights of the clergy needed no assertion, and were disinclined to notice unfounded attacks which injured only the maker of them. A resolution to the effect that the Convention viewed with horror the recent movements towards Slavey extension and were resolved to oppose such extension, until the evil should be removed, was finally substituted and passed unanimous.

The report upon the state of the church in Vermont, showed on the whole a decrease in the number of members, the deaths having been about 230 and the dismissions upon change of residence numerous, while the admissions fell short of last year by some 50 or 60. The Convention, after an unusually interesting session, adjourned on the whole by great acclamation, harmony, closed Thursday, P. M., with the usual communion service and sermon.

Recitals have recently been experienced in Whitefield and Norwick, N. Y., and in Midland and North Greenwich, Conn.

The Episcopal Convention in Rhode Island adjourned without electing a Bishop for the Diocese. Rev. Dr. Williams, Assistant Bishop of Connecticut, was invited to perform episcopal duties in the Diocese until the meeting of another Convention, special or annual.

A "Colporteur Convention," of great interest, closed at St. Louis on the 6th, after a session of six days. Though the convention was composed of less than forty members, they were connected with *eleven different denominations*, yet, while the interchange of opinion was perfectly free, and the intercourse of the members was most intimate, the fact was repeatedly stated by members, that they had been unable to ascertain the denominational preferences or relations of their association. The average age of the members of the convention is forty-three years—men in the vigor of life—prudent, plain, self-denying men—Three-fourths of the colporteurs were Germans, laboring among their countrymen.

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church (South) made considerable changes in the church government. In the report on episcopacy, the committee say that one reason for increasing the number of their Bishops, is that one of them may, during the greatest portion of the time, travel and also preach extensively within the bounds of the Pacific conference. Another is, that the clerical population may enjoy more of the services of a Bishop than they have heretofore done.

The last number of the *Shepherd of the Valley* (St. Louis) was issued Saturday—the editor announcing that he could no longer continue its publication at a loss. This is the paper which had such bitter articles on the Protestants. The *New York Budget*, a proscriptive anti-Catholic journal, has started out.

The unusual event of the baptism of a young Episcopalian was recently witnessed at Canterbury, England.

The favorable results of the Baptist Mission, for the seven years since its creation, are now well known. But in China it is said to amount to less than 10,000 converts, 34 European Missionaries, 103 Chinese Priests, 14 Colleges, and 225 Classes. Sisters of Charity have been sent out to help the mission.

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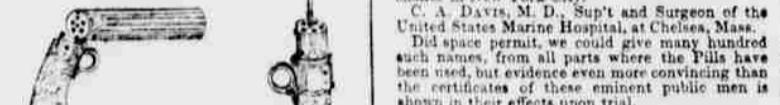
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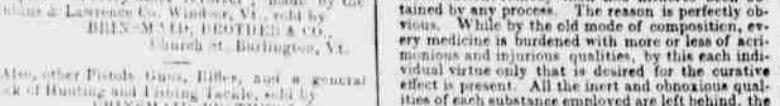
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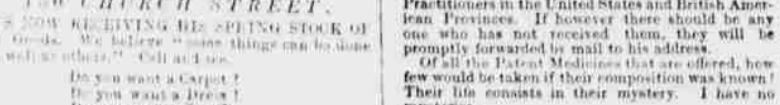
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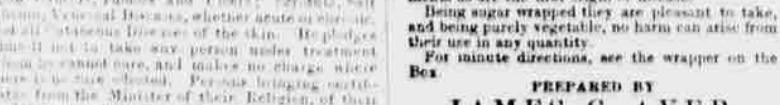


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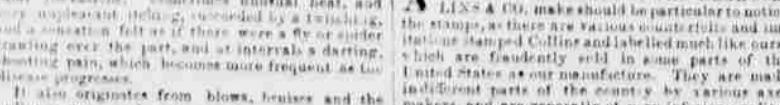
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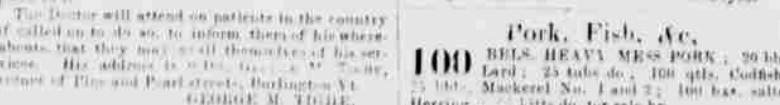
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